

215 ILCS 5/356z.19 Cancer Drug Parity

Sec. 356z.19. Cancer drug parity.

(a) As used in this Section:

"Financial requirement" means deductibles, copayments, coinsurance, out-of-pocket expenses, aggregate lifetime limits, and annual limits.

"Treatment limitation" means limits on the frequency of treatment, days of coverage, or other similar limits on the scope or duration of treatment.

(b) On and after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 97th General Assembly, every insurer that amends, delivers, issues, or renews an individual or group policy of accident and health insurance amended, delivered, issued, or renewed on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 97th General Assembly that provides coverage for prescribed orally-administered cancer medications and intravenously administered or injected cancer medications shall ensure that:

(1) the financial requirements applicable to such prescribed orally-administered cancer medications are no more restrictive than the financial requirements applied to intravenously administered or injected cancer medications that are covered by the policy and that there are no separate cost-sharing requirements that are applicable only with respect to such prescribed orally-administered cancer medications; and

(2) the treatment limitations applicable to such prescribed orally-administered cancer medications are no more restrictive than the treatment limitations applied to intravenously administered or injected cancer medications that are covered by the policy and that there are no separate treatment limitations that are applicable only with respect to such prescribed orally-administered cancer medications.

(c) An insurer cannot achieve compliance with this Section by increasing financial requirements or imposing more restrictive treatment limitations on prescribed orally-administered cancer medications or intravenously administered or injected cancer medications covered under the policy on the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 97th General Assembly.

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